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E.O. 11652: GDS 31 DEC 81.

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SUBJECT: WITHDRAWAL OF STRATEGIC FORCES

REFS: (A) JCS 1789/24141Z OCT 73 (NOTAL),
(B) STATE 195329 (NOTAL)

1. REF A IS JCS EXECUTE MESSAGE AUTHORIZING REDEPLOYMENT ASAP OF FIFTEEN B-52'S FROM GUAM AND SMALL NUMBER OF SUPPORTING KC-135'S FROM KADENA TO CONUS. YOU WILL BE NOTIFIED PRIOR TO ANY PUBLIC ANNOUNCEMENT ON FOREGOING MOVE. YOU ARE AUTHORIZED TO INFORM GOJ AND RTG ON CONFIDENTIAL BASIS PRIOR TO PUBLIC ANNOUNCEMENT IF YOU DETERMINE SUCH ACTION APPROPRIATE.

2. FOR BANGKOK: IF RTG PRESSES YOU ON WHEN REDEPLOYMENT OF B-52'S FROM THAILAND MAY OCCUR YOU MAY REITERATE POINTS MADE REF B, INCLUDING THAT OUR BASIC CONCERN -- WHICH WE ASSUME RTG CONTINUES TO SHARE -- IS THAT ANY FURTHER REDUCTIONS OF U.S. FORCES IN THAILAND NOT BE CARRIED OUT IN A WAY WHICH COULD ADVERSELY INFLUENCE SECURITY SITUATION IN INDOCHINA.

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3. THERE WILL BE NO PUBLIC DISCUSSION OF THIS MOVE UNTIL PUBLIC ANNOUNCEMENT IS MADE. ASD/PA WILL ISSUE GUIDANCE CONCERNING TIME AND PLACE OF ANNOUNCEMENT.

4. DOD CONCURS. KISSINGER

NOTE BY OC/T: EXDIS CAPTION ADDED PER S/S-O, MR. SARROS.

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